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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**Herbicidal compositions for tolerant or resistant sugar beet crops**

the specification of which Serial No. 09/762,694  
 - is attached hereto Filing Date: February 9, 2001  
 - was filed on August 10, 1999 as International Application PCT/EP99/05799  
 and including all the amendments through the date hereof.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

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**Prior Foreign Application(s) for which Priority is Claimed:**

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